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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 21, 2005, Applicant hereby elects Species II, namely Figures 6-9, for prosecution in the subject application. Claims 1, 2, 4-10 and 12 are readable on the elected species. Applicant believes that claims 1, 2 and 5-10 are generic.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the non-elected subject matter and/or to receive consideration of claims to additional species as provided by 37 CFR 1.141, upon allowance of any claim that is generic.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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